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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON PORTLAND DIVISION

SMITH & NEPHEW, INC. and JOHN O. HAYHURST, M.D.,

Civil No. 3:04-cv-00029-MO

Plaintiffs,

SMITH & NEPHEW'S RESPONSE TO ARTHREX'S NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY

v.

**PATENT CASE** 

ARTHREX, INC.,

Defendant.

Plaintiffs (collectively Smith & Nephew), hereby respond to the Notice of Supplemental

Authority filed by Arthrex. (Dkt. No. 1108.)

Unlike the jury in the *Commil* case cited by Arthrex, the jury in this case was charged

under the "willful blindness" standard of Global-Tech with a form of jury instruction that was

proposed by Arthrex, and the jury specifically found that Arthrex was willfully blind as to its

infringement. (Dkt. No. 936.) Moreover, the Federal Circuit found that there was substantial

evidence to support the jury's finding of willful blindness under Global-Tech. Smith & Nephew,

Inc. v. Arthrex, Inc., 502 Fed.Appx. 945, 950 (Fed. Cir. 2013):

After weighing that evidence against Arthrex employees' testimony, the jury resolved the factual issue of knowledge against Arthrex, concluding that Arthrex had the necessary knowledge for both induced and contributory infringement. We

see no reason to disturb that finding by the jury.

Accordingly, the *Commil* case cited by Arthrex has no relevance to this case.

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